[English]

Import of Synthetic/man-made fabrics under O.G.L.

4161. SHRI DHARMANNA MONDAYYA SADUL: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the man-made fibres and yarns are allowed to be imported under Open General Licence (OGL);

(b) whether the Union Government propose to allow import synthetic/man-made fabrics also under OGL for selling these items through Public Distribution System; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI ASHOK GEHLOT): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) On account of the fact that enough weaving capacity exists in the country and the vulnerable decentralised sector is engaged in weaving industry employing a large number of work force, the import of fabrics is not placed under O.G.L. The facility available to import raw material like man-made fibres/yarns under OGL should appropriately safeguard the interest of the consumers.

Credit-Deposit ratio of public sector banks in Bihar

4162. SHRI SYED SHAHABUDDIN: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of branches of public sector banks in Bihar, district-wise;

(b) the total deposits in these banks, district-wise as on April 1, 1990 and April 1, 1991;

(c) the total loans sanctioned by these banks during the year 1990-91, for Bihar as a whole and for the districts of Kishanganj, Araria and Purnea separately; and

(d) the average credit: deposit ratio for the year 1990-91 for the country as a whole, for Bihar and for the above mentioned districts, separately?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) and (b) District-wise number of branches of Public Sector Banks functioning in Bihar and deposits of all scheduled commercial banks in March, 1990 and March, 1991 are given in attached statement.

(c) and (d) The total amount of deposits, credits and credit/deposits ratio of all scheduled commercial banks for the District Araria and Purnea, Bihar State and country as a whole in March, 1991 are indicated below:—

(Rs. in Crores)

Name of District	March, 1991		
	Deposits	Credits	C/D Ratio
Araria	56	32	57·1
Purnea	106	74	69·8
Bihar	9328	3697	39·6
All India	200035	132510	66·2

No data is available for District Kishanganj as this District was constituted in January, 1990.

STATEMENT (Rs. in crores)

Name of District	*No. of branches*	*Deposits*	
		March, 1990	March, 1991
1. Araria	36	—	56
2. Aurangabad	42	79	102
3. Begusarai	80	115	132
4. Bhagalpur	156	257	284
5. Bhojpur	83	319	357
6. Darbhanga	60	159	178
7. Deogarh	42	90	102
8. Dhanbad	161	828	923
9. Dumka	60	72	88
10. Gaya	102	234	266
11. Giridih	111	204	236
12. Godda	37	40	47
13. Gopalganj	27	94	108
14. Gumla	33	60	69
15. Hazaribagh	127	299	358
16. Jehanabad	39	77	85
17. Katihar	65	69	76
18. Khagaria	19	35	43
19. Kishanganj	1	NA	NA
20. Lohardagga	9	18	23
21. Madhepura	35	31	38
22. Madhubani	54	105	117
23. Munger	86	240	278
24. Muzaffarpur	97	290	329
25. Nalanda	40	124	148
26. Nawadah	26	62	69
27. Palamau	63	133	152
28. Paschimi-Champaran	48	107	116
29. Paschimi-Singhbhum	166	707	793
30. Purva-Singhbhum	82	129	146
31. Purva-Champaran	250	1442	1582
32. Patna	88	140	106
33. Purnea	90	268	294
34. Rohtas	76	67	78
35. Saharsa	56	67	74
36. Sahebganj	69	147	166
37. Samastipur	70	219	255
38. Saran	57	71	85

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39.	Sitamarhi	48	180	216
40.	Siwan	45	131	150
41.	Vaishali	117	536	603
42.	Ranchi			

N.A. : Not available.

Supply of Hank Yarn to Bihar handloom weavers

4163. SHRI SYED SHAHABUDDIN : Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state :

(a) the quantity of hank yarn supplied to Bihar for the handloom weavers during 1990-91;

(b) the financial assistance extended to yarn producing units in Bihar for expansion of existing capacity during 1990-91;

(c) the value of yarn, dyes and chemicals supplied to weavers in Bihar by National Handloom Development Corporation;

(d) the additional working capital provided to primary/apex cooperative societies in Bihar during 1990-91;

(e) the financial assistance extended to individual weavers in Bihar by public sector agencies;

(f) the extent of assistance to apex cooperative societies in Bihar under market development scheme during the year; and

(g) the value of handloom of Bihari origin exported by NHDC during 1990-91 ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI ASHOK GEHLOT) : (a) As yarn has a national market and its trade being controlled mostly by the private traders, it is not possible to quantify the availability/sales of hank yarn in a particular State.

(b) Government of India have not extended any financial assistance during 1990-91 for expansion of existing spinning capacity in the cooperative sector in Bihar as no proposal for the purpose had been received from Government of Bihar.

(c) During 1990-91, the National Handloom Development Corporation supplied yarn worth Rs. 379·61 lakhs and Dyes & Chemicals worth Rs. 2·56 lakhs to the weavers and their agencies in Bihar.

(d) to (f) Government of India have not released any financial assistance in the form of share capital assistance or Market Development Assistance to any of the State Handloom Agencies in the cooperative or corporate sector in Bihar during 1990-91. However, a sum of Rs. 539·75 lakhs has been released during 1990-91 to Government of Bihar under various other schemes in order to improve the marketability of handloom cloth and to provide sustained employment to weavers in the State.

(g) The National Handloom Development Corporation has not exported any cloth during 1990-91.